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In the Application of:

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HARDWARE ACCELERATION IN  
A HYBRID WIRED/WIRELESS  
LOCAL AREA NETWORK

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Dear Sir:

This paper responds to the Final Office Action mailed on July 13, 2007 ("Final Office Action") in the above-identified patent application, as well as the April 29, 2010 Decision on Appeal. The Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments preliminary to continued examination in the instant application and consideration of the following remarks. The Applicant also respectfully requests continued examination in the instant application.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.